NEW YORK, MONDAY, APRIL 1, 1872.

THE ROBESON INVESTIGATION.

Clear Documentary Proof Against the Secretary.

He Pays \$93,000 in Violation of Law

ACT TO EXAMINE CLAIMS.

An Act for the relief of certain contractors for the construction of vessels of war and steam machinery. Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Repreuntatives of the United States of America in Con gress assembled, That the Secretary of the Navy is nereby authorized and directed to investigate the claims of all contractors for building vessels of war and steam machinery for the same, under contracts made after the first day of May, 1861, and prior to the first day of January, 1864, and prior to the first day of January, 1864, and Buid investigation to be made upon the following basis: He shall ascertain the additional cost which was necessarily incurred by each contractor in the completion of his work by reason of any changes or alterations in the plans and pecifications required, and delays in the proserution of the work occasioned by the Government, which were not provided for in the original contract; but no allowance for any advance in the price of labor or material shall be considered, unless such advance occurred during the prolonged time for completing the work rendered necessary by the delay resulting from the action of the Government aforesaid, and then only when such advance could not have been avoided by the exercise of ordinary rudence and diligence on the part of the contractor, and from such additional cost, to be ascertained as aforesaid, there shall be decentrator, and from such additional cost, to be ascertained as aforesaid, there shall be decentractor, and from such additional cost, to be ascertained as aforesaid, there shall be decentractor, and from such additional cost, to be ascertained as aforesaid, there shall be decentractor, for any reason, heretofore over and above the contract price, and shall report to Congress a tabular statement of each case, which shall contain the name of the contractor, a description of the work, the contract price, the whole increased cost of the work over the contract price. Provided, That the Secretary of the Navy, under the resolution, shall investigate the claim of W. H. Webb for constructing the steamer Dunderberg anglying the provisions of this resolution in such investigation, except that proper consideration shall be given to the increased cost lucurred by said Webb by reason of any alteration in the plans and specifications for the Dunderberg nade during the progress of the work, whether s of war and steam machinery for the same, under contracts made after the first day of May, 1861,

Approved Murch 2, 1867.

REPORT OF THE BOARD APPOINTED UNDER THE ABOVE ACT.

Letter of the Secretary of the Navy, communicating report of the Secretary of the Navy, communicating report of the Board appointed July 6, 1867, to "extraction of versels of war and steam machinery," under act of Congress approved March 2, 1867.

December 4, 1867.—Read, referred to the Committee on Navai Affairs, and ordered to be printed.

NAVY DEPARTMENT, December 4, 1867.

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Sitt: An act of Congress approved on the 2d of March last, directs the Secretary of the Navy "to investigate the claims of all contractors for building vessels of war and steam machinery for the same, under contracts made after the first day of May, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, and prior to the first day of January, eighteen hundred and sixty-four," and to "report to Congress a tabular statement of each case, which shall contain the name of the contractor, a description of the work, the contract price, the whole increased cost of the work over the contract price, and the amount of such increased cost caused by the delay and action of the Government aforesaid, and the amount already paid the contractor over and above the contract price."

To comply with the requirements of this act

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To comply with the requirements of this act It became necessary to convene a board of officers for the examination of the several claims presented. Commodore J. B. Marchand, Chief Engineer J. W. King, and Paymaster Edward Foster were assigned to this duty, and their report is herewith transmitted.

I have the honor to be, very respectfully.

GIDEON WELLES, Secretary of the Navy.

The Hon. BENJ. F. WADE.

President of the Senate protem.

NAVY DEPARTMENT, Nov. 26, 1867.

SIR: We have the honor to report that, in obedience to your order of July 6, 1867, we have carefully scrutinized each of the claims presented under the act of Congress approved March 2, 4867, "to investigate the claims of certain contractors for building vessels of war and steam machinery." and respectfully beg leave to enclose herewith the tabular statement called for by said act of Congress.

Mesers Harlan & Hollingsworth, of Wilming.

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After examination, the board finds that Messrs. Harlan & Hollingsworth are entitled for the Saugus to the same sum that was awarded to Mr. Harrison Loring in case of the Canonicus, viz., 48,518, but do not find anything due in case of the Napa.

We have the honor, sir, to be, very respectfully, your obedient servants,
J. B. MARCHAND.
Commodore and President.
J. W. KING.
Chief Engineer and Member.
EUWARD FOSTER.
Hon. GIDEON WELLES.
Secretary of the Navy.

Tubular statement showing the result of the action of the Board appointed July 6,187, by the Honorable Secretary of the Navy, to "examine the claims of certain contractors for the construction of ressets of war and After examination, the board finds that Messr

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Paymaster and Member of Board.
NAVY DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, D. C.,
NOV. 26, 1867. III.

ACT TO CARRY OUT THE BOARD'S RECOMMENDA-AN ACT for the relief of certain Government contractors.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Con-

Treasury be, and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay to Secor & Co., and Perine, Secor & Co., the sum of \$115,539.01; to Harrison Loring, \$38,513; to the Atlantic Iron Works of Boston, Massachusetts, \$4.852.58; to Aquilla Adams, the sum of \$4,852.58; to M. F. Merritt, the sum of \$4.852.58; to Tomlinson, Hartupee & Co., \$15.171; to Harlan & Hollingsworth, the sum of \$38.513; and to Poole & Hunt, the sum of \$3.694.81, being the amount found to be due to each of the parties herein respectively named by the Secretary of the Navy under an act of Congress entitled "An act for the relief of certain contractors for the construction of vessels of war and steam nachinery," approved March 2, 1867, which shall be in full discharge of all claims against the United States on account of the vessels upon which the poard made the allowance, as per their report, under the act of March 2, 1867. Approved July 13, 1868.

[It is admitted that Secor & Co. and Perine, ecor & Co. received their pay under the above

VOUCHERS SHOWING THE SUBSEQUENT ILLEGAL PAYMENT OF \$93,000 TO THE SECORS BY SEC-RETARY ROBESON.
The United States Navy Department, Bureau of Construction and Repair, To Device Second Co. De-

To Perine, Secor & Co., Dr. January 1, 1870.—For extras to their contract for building the harbor and river monitor Manattan, as ordered by the Department in its letter of the 31st December, 1869 \$30,451.87 Appropriation : construction and re-\$30,451.87

NAVY DEPARTMENT, BUREAU OF CONSTRUC-TION AND REPAIR, Jan. 1, 1870. \$30,451.87. Approved, in triplicate, for thirty thousand four hundred and fifty-one dollars and eighty seven cents, payable by the paymaster at New (Signed.) JOHN LENTHAL, Chief of the Bureau.

Endorsel. |
[Endorsel.] New York, Jan. 5, 1870.
Received from J. O. Bradford, Paymaster United States Navy, thirty thousand four innored and fiftyone of 100 dollars, in full for the within full.
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Fourth Auditor's office, June 31, 1870.
[See voucher 606 in New York abstract for first quarter, 1870.

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The First Move Toward Forcing Mississipp to Vote for Grant's Re-election.

WASHINGTON, March 31.—Gen. Emery has tent to the War Department a letter from Lieutenant and Aide-de Camp King, dated New Orleans, March 6, ad Aide-de Camp King, dated New Orleans, March 6, 72, saying that great lawlessness exists throughout to entire state of Mississippl, but it cannot be ascribed to Ku-Kiux organizations. The trial f several prominent members of the gang and the crest of a large party from the vicinity of Corinth and seir confinement in the post guard house at Holly prings, has done much toward their general disbandenet in every portion of the State against the Federal overnment, and there can be no doubt of the left that when unsupported by regular troops the attorities are defied and their lives threatened by the experiences whom they are constantly called upon to risst. Messas, Pierce and Shaughessy, United States laishes for the Northern and Southern Districts of Missippi respectively, and Wiley Wells, the United States apple respectively, and Wiley Wells, the United States.

MATAMOROS, March 31, via New Orleans. - Ad-

JOHN'S DOINGS IN CHICAGO DECIDEDLY A NOVEL VIEW OF THE WESTWARD HO COUNTRY.

Agricultural Phenomena of which no Men-tion is Made in What I Know About Farming-Law which no Fellow yet has been able to Find in Kent or Blackstone. CHICAGO, March, 1872.-When I left St. Louis I left an ice place-a good place for slip-pers. It is pleasanter walking on streets paved with banana skins than on walks when the ice is

I rode a ride in a car in St. Louis. The driver was exercising himself beating two lovely sub-jects to start an anatomical museum with, and I observed to him, "What makes you whip those animals so much? It sounds like beating carpets." With a sickly smile he gazed into the mirrors of my soul and exclaimed, "They are car-pets." If ever Israel Putnam barked his shins as much going down those stone steps as I did in my endeavors to get away quickly from that eccentric driver, Israel Putnam must have wished he never had unhitched his horses from the plough share.

the plough share.

THE MISSISSIPPI'S EDDIES.

This Westward Ho country is getting hoed all over. It is the most prolific country I ever saw.

Early in the season as it is, the tables all have butter cups on 'em. The Mississippi river has been ploughed by steamboats, and it is full of urrents. It is dangerous in St. Louis to name a boy Edward, because the eddies get into the Mississippi river.

They raise vast, incomprehensible, and im-

pregnable quantities of barley corn in this section, and 13-12 of the citizens get barley corned every Saturday night, and Sunday morning fetches the rest of 'em. On the cars after leaving St. Louis, I conversed

with a female Westward ho! I addressed her as Miss Ho. Says she, in accents sweet as the dying notes of a sea-sick builfrog, "Call me

all the people in that section well bred and to buy all the girls grow-grain silks.

A BIG FENCE.

From St. Louis to Chicago the read runs through the worst country for ducks ever ever saw. It is one per cent flatter then a flat pancake, with great big fleids called prairies. These fleids are so large that sunrise is used for a red fence on one side, and sunset is used for a red fence on the other side. The farmers drive their cows home with locomotives, and for this purpose every locomotive in the West has a cowcatcher ahead of it.

I got acquainted on the train with a relative of Mary Blain. It was chillbiains, and I still keep up the acquaintance. We are now getting to some place; the engineer has stuck his spurs into his steam horse, and he is yelling like thunder, when up steps the conductor to an old lady and says, "Chicago, madam." "Do tell!" says she; and after asking her if do tell was any relation of Wm. Tell. I stepped ashore and was in Chicago.

CHICAGO.

Chicago is the capital of Cook county, Ill., situated on the edge of Lake Michigan, at the mouth of the Chicago river, and it extends inland beyond the bifurcations of the river, which is lucky for the bifurcations. The back end of it borders on the prairie. The largest lake craft touch at Chicago; but no case of witcheraft ever was known there. In 1830 it was a trading post. The post was recently burned, and in 1840 there were 4,470 folks and people, including women, in Chicago; in 1850 there were 20,083 of 'em. Chicago sprung up like magic, and she sprung down worse than magic.

of the river. Her divorce laws are levely. If fellow only lived long enough, he could marry string of women that would reach from Jers salem to Jerry Coe.

ENERGY.

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ITo-day Chicazo reminds me of an apple with the best half caten out; but the seed and the core are left, and Phonix-like she is arising from her ashes to become a beacon light for all Christendom to steer by. There is more energy, more of that stubborn, go-ahead, cast-dron pluck, that turns mountains to level plains and rocks into temples for the living, in Chicago than in any other place on this footstool. Here is a case of energy; During the great fire a well-known citizen was blown three miles up into the air. While shooting upward he got out his lead pencil and paper and wrote a note to his builder, who lived at the top of a six-story building, and as he passed the builder's residence on his way down he threw the note in the window. The consequence was, on his arrival home on a litter, he found the builder putting shelves in his parlor, and next day he was selling goods.

ENERGY.

Another case of energy is illustrated as follows: I entered a barber's shop, took a seat, lown went my head, and up went my heels. In east than two seconds I felt a queer feeling on my feet, and hoisting my head I saw a fellow with a kettle and brush daubing the soles of my loots. Says I, "What in the name of stewed custard pie are you doing?" He said he was asting up a circus bill. Says I, "Fil paste you in the snoot," and he left. This is energy. ENERGY.

The citizens who shave at the barbers' shops have printed on the soles of their boots "post to bills." Another case of energy is, George Washington was never in Chicago. So they haven't got to keep any old frame building standing in the business part of the city, just because it was Washington's headquarters. The Fourth of July never was celebrated until 1830, because there wasn't anybody to celebrate it.

BLACKSTONE AND COKE. BLACKSTONE AND COKE.

I stepped into a place to-day to see how justice was administered in Chicago. I heard some toreign-sick eloquence. A man was suing mother man because this man who was suing the other man fell down the other man's coalingle, which hurt the man who fell down the coalingle. I heard this much;

Lawyer-You know the plaintiff? Witness-I do.

lawyer-You know the planting?
Witness-I do.
Lawyer-What do you know of his character?
Witness-I know him to be a cjuare man.
Lawyer-Anything more?
Witness-Yes, sir. I know him to be a good man.
Lawyer-How do you know him to be a good man?
Lawyer-How do you know him to be a good man?
Witness-Because whenever there is any good to be
lone, he is always 'round.
Lawyer-Ah he is, eh? Now will you tell the jury
the shape of that hole the plaintif swears he fell down?
Witness-Yes, sir. it was a round hole.
Lawyer-That will do, sir.

The counsel for the defence made a stirring speech. It stirred even me. Says he:

"May it please the Court, gentlemen of the jury, I call upon you to render me a verdict without leaving your scats. The witness just examined is the only witness that can be produced by the plaintiff, the only one to sustain him in his dastardly attempt to defraud my client of his hard-carned wealth. He has the audacity to stand up in open court, an object of scorn to all honest men, a reptile devoid of truth, and, I proclaim it boldly, a perjurer. This man, gentlemen, has the audacity to stand up here and swear before this intelligent jury that he has known the plaintiff for years, and has always known him to be a square man With the very next breath, this cheat, this fraud, this infamous scoundrel, tells you that he is a round man. Now, gentlemen, mark well this point. You all know that this witness swore standing up there in the witness box, that the hole the plaintiff fell through was a round one; and I ask you, gentlemen, how in the name of heaven could a square man fall through a round hole? Again, gentlemen, the plaintiff distinctly swore that he saw stars, although this thing is preposterous. In the words of the immortal Storytes 110 a too him. preposterous. In the words of the immortal

Quirogs, to move on this city with 2,000 men and six pic. (so if artillery on the form of the fire of that mother classing a babe to her breast. The purpose in the fire of the death of John Hopped. She was

constructive arson against the plaintiff, and I left. It was a touching case, and it touched me to the quick, and I got out of the way quick.

I haven't ascertained yet whother that immortal cow that was troubled with the hoists, and hoisted her foot and kicke I over a lamp, and set all Chicago on fire, was a brunette or a blonde, but I think it was.

I visited the burnt district to-day, and I must say that Chicago has on hand the best stock of ready-made chimneys of any place I have yet explored. Vale.

SECOND MOS-COW.



DESTROYED BY ANOTHER COW. This is the only picture yet taken from this particular spot. Among this pile of bricks you will recognize three specimen bricks.

John, a Boston brick, and the brick the Boston brick has in his hat. The Boston brick is trying to sell John a patent chimney warranted not to crack. John does his own smoking, so he don't bite.

SUSPENDED ANIMATION. Young Woman Apparently Dies-Subse-

quent Investigation Shows Her Not to be Dead-Medical Skill Baffled. From the Syracuse Journal, March 29.

dying notes of a sea-sick builfrog, "Call me Miss Naney."

Naney is a lovely name, so romantic, so touchingly suggestive. I love that name, and if I had thirty-one children. I don't care a cent if they were all boys, I'd name 'em all Naney. Like Kings, I'd call 'em Naney one eye. Naney two eyes, Naney IX. and Naney NXI. and if they didn't come when I called 'em, I'd whale 'em.

Miss Naney informed me she had the statistics. "Goodness gracious!" I exclaimed, "are they catching?" She said no: but she had the figures to show the quantity of grain raised in Illinois; and before we stopped chatting I found out that there was enough raised to make all the people in that section well bred and to buy all the girls grow-grain silks.

From St. Louis to Chicago the road runs through the worst country for ducks eye ever saw. It is one per cent. flatter then a det paraceke, with great big fields called prairies. These pieces is a lovely name, so romantic, are greatly excited over a case of suspended animation, or something like it, which has as yet baffled all investigations, and which has as a mystery. The facts as we learn them are substantially excited over a case of suspended animation, or something like it, which has as yet baffled all investigations, and which still remains a mystery. The facts as we learn them are substantially excited over a case of suspended animation, or something like it, which has as yet baffled all investigations, and which still remains a mystery. The facts as we learn them are substantially excited over a case of suspended animation, or something like it, which has as yet baffled all investigations, and which has a substantial one, a substantial one, a fall of the people in the statistics. "Goodness gracious!" I exclaimed, "are they grade a line of the substantial one and the statistics. "Goodness gracious!" I exclaimed. "are they substant an antimate objects as we learn them are substantially excited over a case of suspended animation, or something like it, which has a wystery. The facts as

she was accordingly laid out.

A coffin was procured, and the body placed therein. Her lifelike appearance at that time caused comment among the undertakers, they remarking that she "looked more asleep than dead." The body was conveyed to the depot and sent to Fulton on Moncay evening, and taken to the residence of her father, where it now is.

The Effect in Washington. WASHINGTON, March 31.-The lette lorsing the C nemati Convention, signed by selden, Greeley, and others, has produced quita stir here. The leading friends of the Pres dent affect to treat it with contempt, but the majority of the Republicans look upon it in a more serious light, and express fears that it is indicative of an undertow which has not as yet been properly appreciated by its Administration, and which may yet a see Sen. Grant.

The Hon. Benjamin Wood Stands on Horac Greeley's Platform.

Horace Greeley, Judge Seiden, Sigismund Kaufman the late Radical candidate for Lieutenant-Governor of this State, Col. Conkling, Lieut.-Gov. Dorsheimer, Sinclair Tousey, Waldo Hutchins, and other prominent and influential Republicans in this State, published a later of detti.-Gov. Dorshelber. Sinclair Tousey, Waldo dutchins, and other prominent and influential lepublicans in this State, published a letter to the Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Liberal Republican Convention of Missouri, in which they announce their concurrence in the trinciples set forth by the Liberal Republicans of Missouri, and their own determination to attend the Cincinnati Convention.

If the principles thus set forth shall govern the tection of the Cincinnati Convention, that body will have to nominate a Presidential candidate, for no sane man believes that the Philadelphia Convention can in good faith accept or pat orth such a platform as this, or that Grant, who is sure to be its nominee, holds any such principles, or would be guided by them in his administration. They are, in fact, in direct antagonism to the principles of his administration, and only enunciated at this time because they are so. The Philadelphia Convention may attempt to stop the disintegration of the Parity by adopting this platform of the Liberal Republicans, but every one must know that such action would be taken with intent to deceive." We and every Democrat in the Union can on the contrary, stand Braily and squarely on this platform, and foin hands with the Liberal Republicans against the common enemy. and firmly and squarely on this platform, and oin hands with the Liberal Republicans against

We candidly admit that the platform of Greeley and the Liberal Republicans, as given above, are good enough for us, and as Democratic as we want. We are willing to stand squarely on that platform. We think if any Democrat feels differently, the Connecticut election next Monday will take the conceit out of him.

Judge Davis and the Presidency.

A WESTERN TORNADO.

A St. Louis Market House Blown Down and Several Persons Injured. St. Louis, Mo., March 30.—A very severe thur Set. Louis, Mo., March 30.—A very severe thunder and lightning storm passed over this city about 3 o'clock this evening, accompanied by heavy rain. During the storm a terrific tornado from the southwest struck a large brick market house on Seventh street, between Spruce and Poplar, and befinded the new them half of it to the ground, in the two lithest the market house of the roof and several a striking the building opposite, knocked two great theirs in it, exposing the rooms. So far as feared, fatally. The wounded are Henry Wilder, a butcher. John Heck, back severely hurt, causing paralysis in the lower part of the body is will probably die. Mrs. Flori, compound fracture on the left lower leaf, neah hadly lacerated. Edwin Flori, internally hurt, and shoulder torn by a meat-hook, George White, and shoulder torn by a meat-hook, George White, and shoulder torn by a meat-hook. George White dislocated. Henry Lipardt, internally hurt. John Burger, arm broken, bruised in various places. Two or three others were bruised slightly.

The stalls in the market-house were occupied, and a large number of persons were present making purchases, and it is wonderful that scores of their were not killed. Aside from slight damage done to one or two buildings two or three flocks distant, no other destruction seems to have occurred. It is likely that the format of the proposition of the market-house roof and awnings were carried two or three blocks distant, no their destruction and passed on in a northeastern direction, and may be heard from at some point in Illinois to morrow. Seventh street is blocked with debris. Parts of the market-house roof and awnings were carried two or three blocks distant.

Prof. Morse Dying.

To avoid the necessity of answering the inquiries of numerous callers, a bulletin board was yesterday evening placed outside Prof. Morse's door, by est Twesky second street, and at one o'clock this morning the ominous words upon it were, "Prof. Morse is ainking fast, it is not probable by will survive by plant."

between Russia and italy.

Prince Frederick William left Berlin last night for abuse of the standard to the soin daily, and has made several excursions in the environs of Baden.

Negotiations with the Peninsular and Oriental Steamship Company for the establishment of a line of steamship to a proposition of the soin daily and a standard the soin daily and the soin of the soin daily and the soin dai To dye minutes the jury returned a verdict of line fest, it is not probable be will survive the night

CALIFORNIA EARTHQUAKE.

THE BURSTING OF THE VOLCANOS ON THE PACIFIC COAST.

Village Destroyed, and the Entire Population Buried Beneath the Ruins-Rivers Turned in their Course-A Chasm 35 Miles Loug-Thirty Persons Killed.

SAN FRANCISCO, March 30 .- Despatches eceived from the volcanic district in Inyo county, 400 miles southeast from this city, give addi-tional details of the earthquake disaster on Tuesday last. The shocks still continue, though with decreased violence. It is remarkable that only a slight shock on Tuesday was felt in Central and Northern California.

Cerro Gordo was badiy damaged, having sev-

eral buildings thrown down and one man killed. Lone Pine appears to have been directly over the centre of the disturbance. Among the killed at the latter place was Mr. Grey, aged 42 years, a native of Texas. The remainder were all Spanish Americans. The first shock is described as resembling a park of artillery fired directly beneath the town.

Col. Whipple, who was in the second story of

an adobe house, says he had just time to jump from his bed and get to the doorway, when the house appeared to crumble to pieces beneath him. He was buried among the ruins, but succeeded in extricating himself from the débris, having received several severe but not danger-A WHOLE VILLAGE BURIED.

The scene beggars description. Nearly the whole populace was buried beneath the ruins. Cries for help and screams of pain from the wounded beneath the ruins filled the air, while those who escaped were calling for aid to rescue those who escaped were calling for aid to rescue fathers, mothers, wives, and children. The first shock was followed in quick succession by three others. Over 300 distinct shocks were felt between half past 2 o'clock and sunrise; in fact, the earth was in a constant tremble for over three hours. A chasm was opened extending thirty-five miles down the valley, ranging from three inches to forty feet in width. Rocks were torn from their places and rolled down into the valley.

DESOLATION IN LONE PINE.

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the valley.

At Swanzea. Col. Tregailos of the smelting works was killed, and great desolation prevails among the inhabitants of Lone Pine.

A despatch to-day from Visalia says several shocks were felt in that city last night, and are still coming from the southeast. Persons anticipate inding immense chasms in the mountain cast of us as soon as the snow disappears enough to permit of investigation.

There are rumors of a volcano in active operation having been seen from the summit of Greenhood Mountain, sixty miles south of Visalia, but it is considered at least dubious. The Indians in that vicinity have. If, fearing the recurrence of the general convolsion of nature which, according to their traditions, occurred in that region some hundreds of years ago, and created what is known as Owen's River Valley, but which was before a chain of mountains.

The section affected by the earthquake was aparacly inhabited, mainly by people engaged in working the silver-bearing lead mines.

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THE KILLED AND WOUNDED.

Additional advices from Invo county place the number killed by the earthquake on Tuesday at thirty, besides 100 wounded. In the desert country stretching from Owen's Lake to the Mexican line are unnumbered craters not long extinct, besides several mud volcances, and it is supposed that some of these old volcances may be in cruption again. A gentleman from Independence asserts that smoke and ashes from a volcance were distinctly seen southward from that place, and word has been brought there that lava was seen flowing down the mountain, but the report is not authenticated. The shocks continued, decreasing in force, up to Thursday morning, when over one thousand had been counted.

At Tibbett's ranche, fifteen miles above Independence, forty acres of ground sank seven feet below the surface of the surrounding country. Big Owen's Lake has risen four feet since the first shocks. Owen's river ran over its banks, depositing shoals of fish on the shore. After ward it receded for a distance of three or four miles. Through Lone Pine the earth cracked; one side remained stationary, while the other sank seven or eight feet, leaving a wall of earth extending over three miles in length where for merify was a level plain.

THE BEDS OF RIVERS TURNED.

THE BEDS OF RIVERS TURNED. Unnumbered cracks were made throughout the valley. Kern and Owen's rivers turned and ran up stream for several minutes, leaving their beds dry, and finally returned with largely in-

reased volume.

There has been no parallel to this earthquake ince the year 1812, when the missions of San uan Capistrovo and La Purissima, in Southern Lalifornia, were destroyed. Of course the earthquake is the matter of common conversation.

OUT DOOR SPORTS.

The Metaire Races. New Orleans, March 30.—The spring meeting aces on the Metaire Course came off to-day. The first race was for the Bingaman stake, for four ear-olds, in a two mile dash, \$1,000 added, and was wo

ood, Stockwood, Saucebox, and Creole Dance, in the rier named. Saims bed throughout, and came home neasy winner. Time, 320 %. The second race was a mile and a half, for all ages, for purse of \$700, and was won by Monarchist by a knath, earing Namie Bouglass, Pilgrim, Annie B., Foster, om Leathers, Marchesse, and Lord Byron. Pilgrim and Annie B. ran a dead heat for third piace. Time, 472, Both the above races were won by Mr. Sandords mayre.

The third race was mile heats for all ages for \$800, he following is the summary:

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The first and second heats were closely contested, he last heat was won easily. Time-1.481, 1.462, 1.314, here was a fair attendance; the track was good, and e weather pleasant.

The International

The Atalanta crew are actively training fo R. Whitters, M. D. (stroke)... T. Van Raden (No. 3)... R. Smith (bow)

The Purposes of the Oil Ring. WASHINGTON, March 31 .- A sub-committee of the House Committee on Commerce have been rovement Company, incorporated under a law of I sylvania. The object was to combine all the petrolet refineries in the country in their scheme, and they

BOSTON, March 31.—In a Boston boarding-nouse on Friday the wife of Thos. Williams, mechanic, whom she had labored to support and nurse during a hom she had labored to support an intree during a long and increable illness, died in his presence from an verdose of laudanum, taken to quiet her nerves and rocure rest. The husband was unable to render aid reall for assistance, and expired himself next day, rs. Williams is said to have married against the con-ent of her parents, wealthy residents of Newport, who as her off; but while both were dying a letter came dering the assistance too long withheld. The bodies ere taken to Newport for burial.

On Saturday night the farm buildings of Mr. Daley of Comac, L. L. were destroyed. Loss, \$5,333. WASHINGTON NOTES.

It is stated in official circles that when Gen-sickles's present leave of absence shall expire he will eturn to Madrid. Secretary Boutwell has authorized the Assist ant Treasurer of New York to purchase \$100,000 of bonds on each Wednesday, and to sell \$1,000,000 of neach Thursday, during the month of April.

FLASHES FROM THE OCEAN CABLES. A postal convention was concluded on the 26th MR. REAVEY'S ARREST.

His Explanation of the Circumstances-He Declares that the Indictment is Based on False Information—He Asks for Justice.

To the Eittor of The Sun. SIR: The indictment under which I was arrested on Thursday, charged with forgery, the particulars of which have appeared in the press, is based on false and malicious information. It is my duty to myself and to the profession that I should prove what I

allege.
In January of last year Mr. G. H. Thomas called at my office and stated that he was about purchasing a house and lot in Forty-third street from his aunt, to sehouse and lot in Forty-third street from his aunt, to secure an indebtedness from her to him, as he alleged, for some \$3,000 or \$4,000, and that she was too indisposed to call upon me. My residence at the time being in her neighborhood, I consented to and did call upon his aunt, Mrs. Taylor, and received her deed. The transfer was discussed, and she stated that Mr. Thomas had been more than a son to her, had assisted her in many of ner troubles, and that she could not get along without his assistance. She stated that she desired to convey the property of Mr. Thomas, and I agreed to prepare a deed from her to Mr. Thomas, and within a few days thereafter called and gave the deed so made out to her, and she and her husband signed it, and then discovering some defects in it, takeet that a new deed would have to be prepared, which idd prepare and gave her; she examined it, was informed of the contents, and thereafter she signed it in the presence of Mr. Thomas, the notary, myself, and some two or the cothers who happened to be prepared to the transacting some business with Mrs. Taylor. She then kiesed Mr. Thomas, and said "God will bless you for your goodhess to me.

g was all the connection I had with the transaction of way.

Fre were two mortgages and several incumbrances the property at the time, amounting to about by which Mr. Thomas assumed. The property was hnot to exceed \$12,00. Mrs. Taylor had no money, could not pay these claims, as she stated, and would to lose the property if not protected by some one, dige, then, or my surprise at the charge made, and statement in the press that the conveyance had inside to me. &c.

as I am indignant and feel outraged is not to be dered at.

condered at.

Hereafter it will not be safe for any lawyer to draw deeds and attend upon the execution thereof without leing fortified by a separate certificate of the knowledge of its contents and the execution thereof.

The deed was recorded, and speaks for itself.
As an act of impartial justice I ask the insertion of his statement.

A. H. REAVEY.

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Dutch Heinrich about to Enter upon Another Term in Sing Sing.

The defence of Henry Neumann, alias "Dutch Heinrich," the bond robber, was begun on Saturday morning. The first witness was the prisoner binself. He swore positively that he was in Philadelphia from the 13th to the 15th of January; that he was never in the office of Kennedy & Co., and never stole any of their bonds. The robbery was committed on the morning of the 15th, and he was seen in Philadelphia at 5 o'clock in

ne had ever been in State Prison, and he admitted that he serve I a term in Sing Sing in 1857. Col. Fellows moved that all his testimony be stricken out, as the law says a convicted felon cannot testify in his own behalf. The Recorder granted the motion, and gave connect the benefit of an exception. Heinrich's wife was then called, but her testimony would not be taken, as the wife cannot testify in her hus-land's behalf.

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In Rankin, a broker, testified that he saw Neumann in billiards in a Philadeiphia hotel on the 13th and if January; was introduced to him as the "Flying sman". John of January; was introduced to him as the "Flying Among the witnesses to rebut the alibi set up was William Banks, private detective of the Bank of Commerce. He swere positively that he saw Neumann in Cedar aftect on the day of the robbery. William Brown, a detective, swore that he saw him the same day on the doorsteps at the Poince Central Office. After the speeches of the sounsel, Recorder Hackett charged the jury, and dive minutes thereafter they returned with a verified of guilty. The Recorder sentenced him to ten years' imprisonment.

A Burglary Prevented and the Burglars Captured.

Last on Friday night, Officer Austin's attention was attracted by the conduct of two men at Eighth avenue and Forty-sixth street. They were examining the fastnings of Smith & Sill's flour store. One of them posted himself at the corner, and the other pried open the door with a jimmy, and entered. Roundsman Larthe door with a jimmy, and entered. Roundsman Larkin came up at this moment, and assisted Officer Austin to secure and handcuiff the man at the corner before he could be seen to be seen and the corner before he could be seen as the corner before he could be seen as the seen as the

The Burial of Mrs. Grinnell.

Mrs. Julia Grinnell, wife of Moses H. Grinnell, and neice of Washington Irving, was buried on Saturday from All Sout's Unitarian Church. The Rev. Dr. Beltended the funeral were the Hon. Horace Greeley attended the funeral were the Hon. Horace Greeky Flurilow Weed, Marshail O. Roberts, James A. Hamilton, and Isaac Bell. The pall-bearers were C. H. Rus leil, L. P. Morton, K. M. Blatchford, John, Jacob Astor Valenston, and J. G. Greek, Wm. Hoge, Edward Minturn, R. S. H. G. Horach, J. G. Wainwight, After the Minturn, and Mr. Grinnell and his son, frying, and two consists with Mr. Bowdon and Mr. Cushing, followed by Pletre M. Irving, Joseph Grinnell, R. C. Anthony, and other relatives. The burial was in the family cemeter; in Irvington, near Tarrytown.

An Encounter with an East Side Ruffian. Last night as Mr. Thomas H. Little, of 268 Firs venue, was standing in his door after his return from hurch, he was approached by James Riley, of 401 East Courteenth street. Riley began to abuse Mr. Little,

Death Under Suspicious Circumstances. Mrs. Kate Schwartz, a married German wo am, of 19 Third street, was taken ill yesterday. Drs.

A Wife Benter Resisting Arrest. Last night Ann McGinnis went to the Thirty wenth street station and said her husband, John Mc ched to kill her. Sergeant Heape sent two officers to arrest McGinnis, but he drew a knife and swore he would kill the first person who touched him. The officers grappled with him, and after a severe tusele disarmed him. On his way to the station he again became violent, and it took the united eforts of the two officers and two firemen to take him there.

SALT LAKE CITY, March 31.—Despite the aurances of Mormon leaders that Utah is Republicand if admitted will give an electoral vote for Gran

Escape of the Blockade Runner Virginius. HAVANA, March 31.—The Spanish war steamer formado arrived to-day from Aspinwall. She reportenatters quiet there. The Pizarro was watching the KEY WEST, March St.-News has been received her at the steamer Virginius has succeeded in escapin om the harbor of Aspinwall, and is on her way to the

PERSONAL INTELLIGENCE. Gen. Benbeta of the Cuban army is in the City of Mexico.

CURIOSITIES OF CRIME.

The convicted anti-Chinese rioters of Louing-los, Cal., have been sentenced to from two to six ears each in the Perfitchings. Therefore Ellenbast, of 26 Avenue A, was und by his wife hanging to the knob of his room door a satisfuly in rightly. He had been very intemperate it two years. He was a native of Bavaria, 37 years old. Yesterday morning John Warland, one

On Saturday evening George Willett went to the door of Louis Schnelder's jewelry store at 18 Spring street, and after fastening it on the outside so that it could not be opened by Mr. Schnelder, who was in the store, broke a pane of glass in the window, snatched a gold watch, and ran up the street. Officer Keating captured him. In the chase he three way the watch, and it was run over by a street car. Whilett was committed yesterday by Justice Cox.

THE FATE OF MR. VOLLMAN.

PRICE TWO CENTS. *

ANOTHER CASE OF TOOTH PULLING FOLLOWED BY DEATH,

Physicians Baffled-Transmitting Blood from the Arms of Healthy Men to the Arm of a Dying Man.

On Tuesday last Mr. Charles Vollman of Hoboken came to New York to have some teeth drawn. Five were extracted, followed by a bleeding from the gums which was not, at that time, deemed extraordinary. Mr. Vollman re-turned to his home. On Wednesday, however, the flow of blood had not ceased, and he again visited the dentist in New York. He obtained temporary relief, and again went home. On Wednesday night the bleeding began afresh. On Thursday Mr. Vollman was losing blood very rapidly; a little stream continually flowing from

Thursday Mr. Vollman was losing blood very rapidly; a little stream continually flowing from his mouth. Then it was decided to summon physicians.

Doctors Cudlich and Nast of Hoboken, and Dr. Lellman and two physicians from the office of Dr. Krakowitzer. New York, were summoned. Several other physicians were called, making ten altogether, in consultation. At that time the physicians did not think Mr. Vollman in danger, but every effort to stop the flow of blood proved unavailing.

On Friday the patient was sinking under the continued loss of blood. More energetid measures were resorted to and the flow of blood was stopped. But Mr. Vollman had lost so much blood that his condition had become critical. The physicians were constantly in attendance, and everything possible was done.

On Saturday Mr. Vollman was evidently dying of exhaustion. A consultation was held, and it was decided to try to resuscitate the patient by the transfusion of blood. Two gentlemen were found willing to submit to the operation, and under the direction of Dr. Killich of New York, the éxpériment was made.

The first man bared his arm for the trial. An incision was made in the right arm of the dying man, and a like one in the arm of his friend. The tube was inserted, and about ten ounces of blood was injected into the veins of Mr. Vollman. Then the other gentleman submitted to the same operation. About twenty ounces of blood was injected, and Mr. Vollman apparently improved somewhat after the operation. But late on Saturday night he again failed, and at one o'clock yesterday morning he died.

Mr. Vollman was one of the best known citizens of Hoboken. For the past nine years he had kept the Park Hotel, at Fourth and Hudson streets, Hoboken. He was a good man, a genial companion, and much liked. He retired from business but a few days ago. He had amassed a large fortune, and was about to depart for Germany, his native land, having engaged passage in a steamer sailing on Saturday next.

Mr. Vollman was 39 years of age. He leaves a wife and on

A SMART LUNATIC. He has an Overseer of the Poor Arrested as

He has an Overseer of the Poor Arrested as a Lunante.

From the Albany Journal.

A rich joke has just transpired, in which our Overseer of the Poor, Mr. Hoxsie, was overmatched in shrewdness by a lunatic he was conveying to the Poughkeepsie Insane Asylum. The lunatic in question was Dennis R. Sheridan, the young lawyer recently taken insane, and Mr. Hoxsie started with him for the asylum yesterday morning. As Sheridan was very quiet and rational, Mr. Hoxsie did not think it necessary to handcuff him. On the way down they were engaged in conversation, when hearing the shackles rattle in Mr. Hoxsie's pockets, the insane man inquired what they were. Mr. Hoxsie informed him, when he desired to see them. They were handed over, when after closely inspecting them he quietly placed them in his pocket, and renewed the conversation. Mr. Hoxsie was somewhat dumbfounded at this proceeding, but seeing nothing in the conduct of Sheridan to arouse his suspicion, humored him by allowing him to retain them.

They had progressed several miles further, when Sheridan adroitly turned the conversation upon lunatics and the mode of procedure in lodging them in an asylum. Mr. Hoxsie explained that it was necessary in order to confine a lunatic in an asylum to have a certificate of two physicians that such person was insane, and a commitment from the County Judge. Sheridan, with the remark that he was a lawyer, requested to see the paper to judge whether it was drawn up in due form. As Mr. Hoxsie drew forth the paper Sheridan seized it, and after glancing over it, slipped it into his breast pocket. He retained possession of the commitment and shackles until they reached Poughkeepsie, where on arriving Sheridan insisted on going on to New York. Hoxsie expostulated, and finally induced Sheridan to alight.

On reaching the platform, remarking that their ways should now separate, the real insane man started off. Mr. Hoxsie seized him, and a struggle ensued between the two, which speedily attracted a crowd. Sheridan seized him, and a strugg

How an Administration Senator Purchased

WASHINGTON, March 31.—Ex-Congressman Boggers of Arkansas testified before the Senate Investi-gating Committee that Governor Clayton had made a bargain in writing with Democratic members of the Legislature by which, in consideration of certain things being done for them, in was to be elected scenator; that he carried out his bargain so far as to give a certificate of election to a Democrat to Congress, but broke it in respect to the repeal of the registration laws and ap-pointments. The bargain in writing was not, however, produced.

LONG ISLAND.

Judge Joseph F. Barnard will hold the April erm of the Oyer and Terminer in Queens county. Voters are carried free on Tuesday from irremport to southold village, the voting place of that own, by the Long Island Railroad. The mariners of Suffolk county have prepared a petition to Congress, asking for a breakwater and harbor on Horton's Point. There is no harbor into which even light-draft vessels cap enter between Port Jefferson and Plum Gut, a distance of fifty miles. There is an impress bar at Horton's Point.

During the absence of Mr. Wellinberg and family from their residence, 43 North Second street Williamsburgh, yesterday, all of their clothing and lewelry, valued at \$500, was stolen. Henry Burns, an influential politician, was be-fore Justice Lyach of Brooklyn on Saturday on a charge of beating John Rodgers with a hickory club. Rodgers is confined to his house. The Justice released Burns on his paying \$20 fine.

Stephen Whalen, of Humboldt and Stage streets, Williamsburgh, on Saturday night attempted to ump from the front platform of car No. 286 of the traham avenue line. He fell and was instactly killed, the wheels passing over his head. He was intoxicated. SPARKS FROM THE TELEGRAPH.

In Portland, Me., on Saturday, Thomas Sco-neld was crushed to death by a boiler which he was helping to unload from a car. The troops are entirely inactive in Arizona, hrough orders from Washington. The Indians are liund ring and murdering in all directions. A petition, signed by 24,420 citizens of San Francisco, has been forwarded to Washington, asking that congressional sanction may be withheld from any enterprise looking to the conversion of toat Island into a railroad depot.

JOTTINGS ABOUT TOWN. Gen. Opdyke has received \$1.36 toward the Dr. Horace Greeley, and P. T. Barnum ad-fresed a temperance meeting last night in Blocker

Charles Wilson of 106 Bayard street, who was Joseph H. Stanley, a colored man, worth Kass, sted saddenly on Saturday evening, while coloring ranks in one of his transmiss, is Salivan street.

Last might officer Keller of the Twentieth street station found a portion of the traves and the left street station found a portion of the traves and the left station found in the street in front of 20 Sey-

William Wescott, an ex-policeman, who was connected with the old municipal police during the reign of Fernando Wood, died suddedly en saturday in the residence of capt. Newell, 77 North Moore atrect. He was 62 years of age.

On Saturday Judge Blatchford signed an order in the Bowling Green Savings hank bankrupter pro-ceedings requiring Mr. Shepherd F. Knapp, the receiv-er, to produce in court before Thursday the transcripts

er, to produce in court before Thursus, and under his of the bank's accounts which have been made under his